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Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b), of pending prior application no. Design Application No. 10/391,179, filed March 14, 2003, which is a continuation-in-part application of Design Application Nos. 29/168,675, now Design Patent No. D478,933, and 29/168,681, now Design Patent No. D480,107, both filed October 8, 2002; which are divisional applications of Design Application No. 29/153,606, filed January 14, 2002, now Design Patent No. D468,354; which is a continuation-in-part application of Design Application No. 29/145,136, filed July 17, 2001, now Design Patent No. D456,041

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(inventor(s) currently of record in prior application)

for WRITING INSTRUMENT WITH GRIPPING DEVICE

(title of invention)

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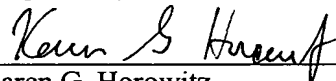
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- 3a. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 3b. ☒ A new specification, substantially identical to the pending prior application and containing no new matter, is enclosed.
- 4a. ☒ New formal drawings are enclosed.

- 4b. ☐ Informal drawings are enclosed.
- 5a. ☐ Priority of _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- 5b. ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application no. _____, filed _____.
6. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to BIC Corporation on June 16, 2003, at reel 014181 and frame 0865.
- 7a. ☐ A copy of the Power of Attorney filed in the prior application no. _____, filed _____ is enclosed.
- 7b. ☒ A Power of Attorney is enclosed.
8. ☐ This application contains nucleic acid and/or amino acid sequences required to be disclosed in a Sequence Listing under 37 CFR §§1.821-1.825. It is requested that the Sequence Listing in computer readable form from prior application no., filed on _____ be made a part of the present application as provided for by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e). The sequences disclosed therein are the same as the sequences disclosed in this application. A copy of the paper Sequence Listing from application no. _____ is enclosed.
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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10. ☒ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☒ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or it's equivalent
17. ☐ Other:

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) | of prior application No.: 10/391,179 filed March 14, 2003.

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